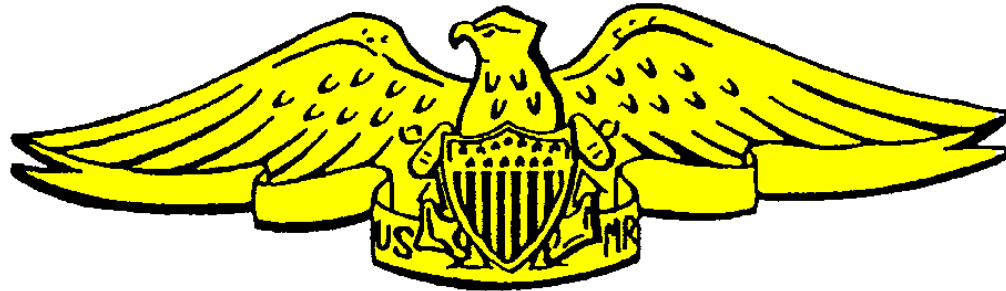


# Topic 20

## MERCHANT MARINE PROGRAM

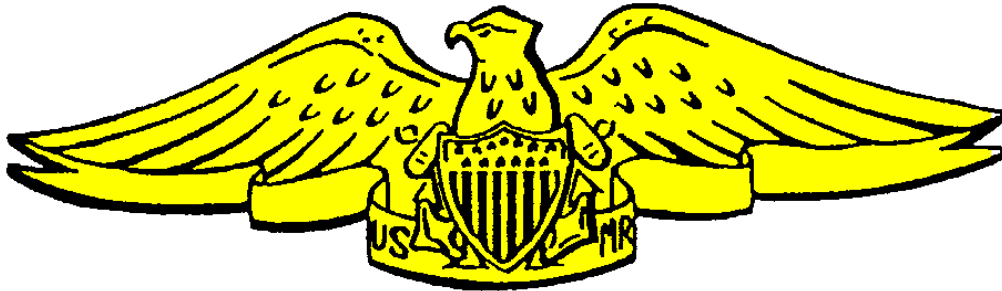




## **A. Introduction**

This lesson will give you a better understanding of the Merchant Marine Program. This little known program is part of the Naval Reserve community.

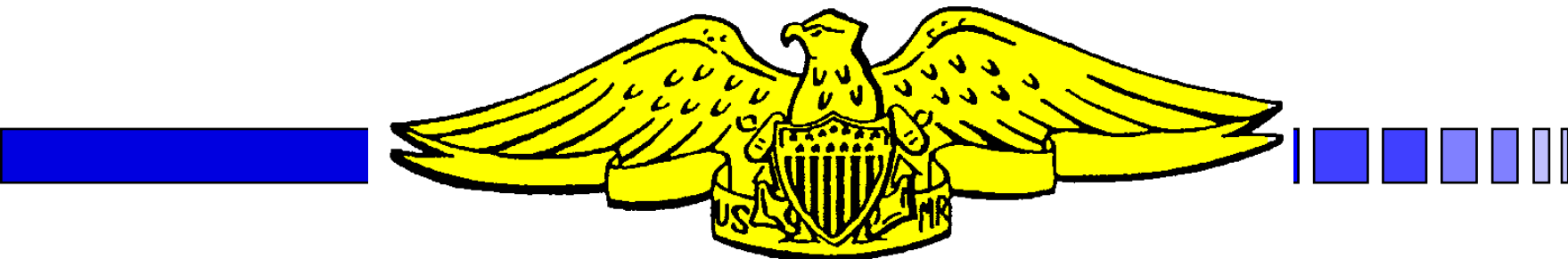
It is made up primarily of



## **A. Enabling Objectives**

23.1 DEFINE the Merchant  
Marine

23.2 STATE the  
responsibility of the  
Merchant Marine



# **MERCHANT MARINE RESERVE**

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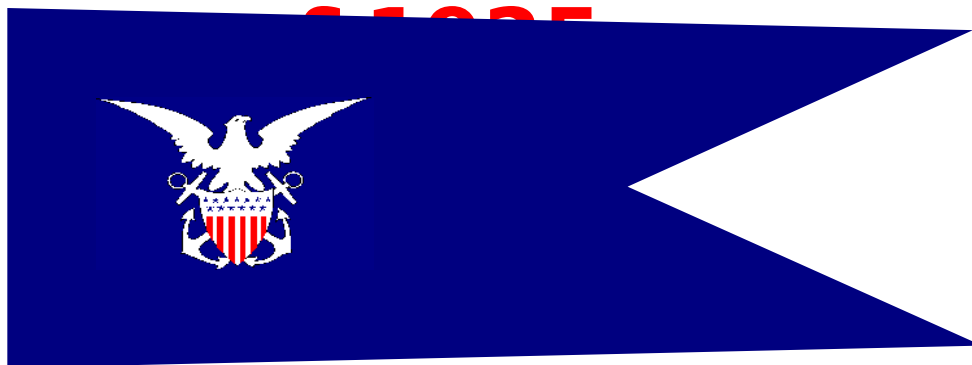
Maintain an organization of qualified Merchant Marine Officers composed of:

- ① a corps of actively sailing members trained to operate Merchant ships as Naval Auxiliaries; and
- ② a shoreside cadre assigned to Naval Reserve Activities that support strategic sealift readiness.



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**Naval Reserve Acts of 1916**  
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39 STAT 556, 587, 29 Aug 16

“The Naval Reserve, which shall be a component part of the United States Navy, shall consist of three classes, namely the Fleet Reserve, the Merchant Marine Naval Reserve, and the Volunteer Naval Reserve.”



# Merchant Marine Reserve

## **Merchant Marine Act of 1936**

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- Requires the United States to have a Merchant Marine capable of serving as a Naval and Military Auxiliary in time of War or National Emergency.
- Requires Merchant Marine Officers employed on subsidized or DOT vessels to be members of the Naval Reserve, if eligible.



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## **Maritime Education and Training Act of 1980**

- Requires the U.S. Navy and the Merchant Marine to work closely together to promote the maximum integration of seapower forces.
- Tasks Secretary of Transportation to train future Merchant Marine Officers, to include Naval and Military Auxiliary roles in time of mobilization.
- Tasks Secretary of the Navy to maintain Departments of Naval Science at Maritime Schools.





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## **Sources of Naval Reserve**

### **Merchant Marine Officers**

- U.S. Merchant Marine Academy
- California, Great Lakes, Maine, Massachusetts, New York, and Texas - Maritime Academies
- Direct Commission for Non-Academy Graduates
- Transfers from other Reserve Programs



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**MMR ORGANIZATION**

- MMR USNR Midshipman Program
- Merchant Marine Individual Ready Reserve Group (MMIRRG)
- Merchant Marine Reserve Operational Command Headquarters (MMROCH) Units
- Strategic Sealift Support Billets



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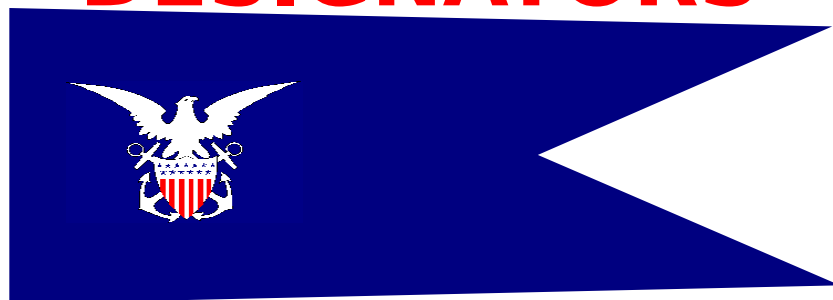
- No Active Duty Manning except as Recalled
- Selected Reservists (SELRES) Billets primarily mobilized to coordinate sealift support at the National & Regional Offices of the Maritime Administration, Military Sealift Command, Chief of Naval Operations (N-4)
- Individual Ready Reservists (IRR): Professional Mariners with currently valid USCG Licenses Sailing or in Industry.



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## **SPECIAL DUTY RESTRICTED LINE DESIGNATORS**



- 1625 - Merchant Marine Deck
- 1665 - Merchant Marine Deck & Engineering
- 1675 - Merchant Marine Engineering
- 1695 - Merchant Marine



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## **ISSUES EFFECTING PROGRAM**

*Mariners*

- ① **Declining numbers of U.S. Flag Merchant Vessels reducing employment opportunities for Merchant Marine Officers**
- ② **Increased regulatory requirements involving proficiency and recency to obtain or retain International Certifications**
- ③ **Reduced opportunities for training of Merchant Officers to operate as Naval Auxiliaries and reduced SELRES billets in Strategic Sealift Readiness Programs for MMP designators**

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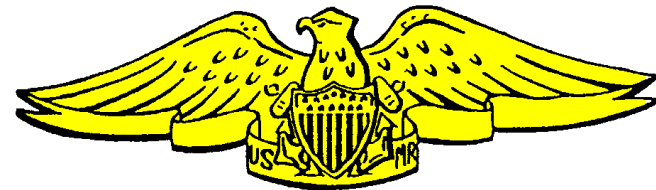
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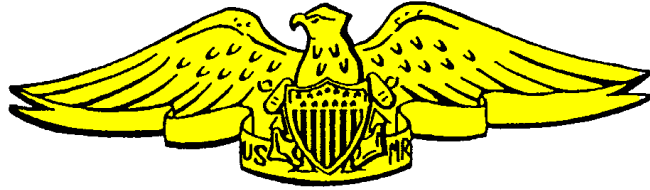
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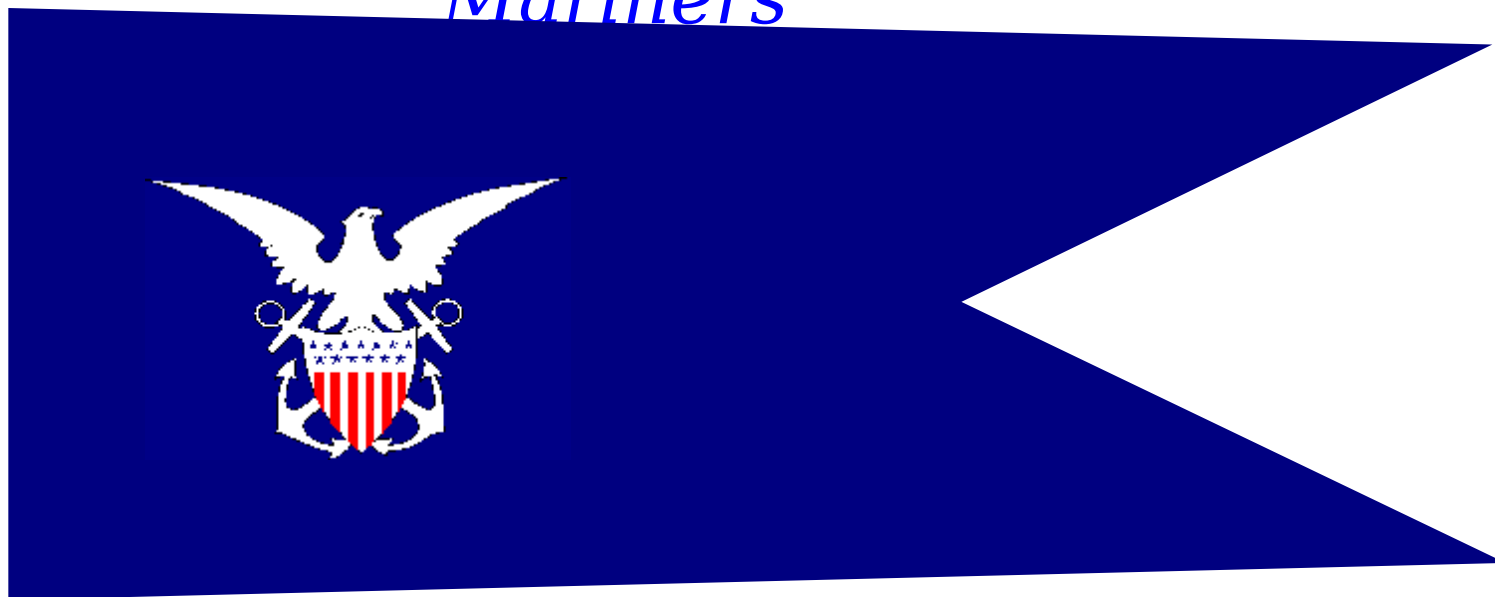
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